

COTTAGE BAKERY FROM HOME

Can I sell from my kitchen in Columbia County, New York?

Home kitchen sales. Not a shop or rented commercial kitchen. Last verified 2026-05-05.

STATE FOOD PERMIT	HOME OCCUPATION	BUSINESS LICENSE	SALES CAP
Yes	Varies	Varies	—

NEW YORK RULES. OPEN THESE FIRST.

[New York permits PDF](#)[New York cottage food law page](#)[New York Department of Agriculture and Markets cottage food program](#)[Statute: N.Y. Agric. & Mkts. Law §251-z-4; 1 CRR-NY 276.4](#)**NOT LEGAL ADVICE**

This is what it takes to sell from a home kitchen in Columbia County. Confirm each step with Planning, Health, and the license office before you sell.

What you need

Columbia County, New York. File every Yes. Confirm every Check or Ask. Stay under the sales cap.

STATE FOOD PERMIT

Yes

ANNUAL SALES CAP

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HOME OCCUPATION / ZONING

Varies

LOCAL HEALTH

No

BUSINESS LICENSE

Varies

PICKUP AT THE HOUSE

Conditional

HOME KITCHEN ONLY

If you want a shop or a rented commercial kitchen, these rows do not apply.

HOW THIS PLACE WORKS

New York registers home processors at the state. Home Processor registration is with the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, not the county health department. Suffolk, Nassau, and other county health pages will not have a separate cottage-food application. Confirm labeling and the AGM registration page in this file.

Official source: [NYS AGM home processing](#)

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Not legal advice. Rules change. Confirm with the office before you file.

Where to file

State

New York registration: Yes. Routine kitchen inspection: No. Wholesale to restaurants, cafes, and grocery stores within New York State is explicitly permitted. Products may also be sold online (NY residents only) and via delivery. Shipping out of state is not permitted. Registration is free, location-specific, and has no expiration date.

New York permits PDF: crosodo.com/reports/pdf/permits/new-york.pdf

State law page: crosodo.com/states/new-york

New York Department of Agriculture and Markets: <https://agriculture.ny.gov/food-safety/home-processing>

Statute: [N.Y. Agric. & Mkts. Law §251-z-4; 1 CRR-NY 276.4](#)

Zoning / home occupation

Varies. Columbia County and individual towns/villages may have home occupation provisions in their zoning codes. Operators should verify with the Columbia County Planning Department or their town's zoning office.

Health

No. No routine inspection for NY Home Processor registrants; complaint-based investigation possible.

Business license

Varies

Pickup / delivery

Sales permitted at farms, farm stands, farmers markets, green markets, craft fairs, flea markets, home delivery, and online within NY State. Wholesale permitted, which is notable.

If you rent a commissary kitchen

A commissary is Article 20-C or a health permit, not Home Processor. New York Home Processor is a state AGM registration for a home kitchen. If you hold a DOH permit or AGM 20-C license, homemade food must be made at that licensed facility. A commissary is that licensed facility.

Official source: [NYS AGM food processing](#)

Local health office we have on file: <https://www.columbiacounty.gov>

This file is the home-kitchen path. A rented kitchen uses a different permit. Ask the kitchen manager which license they expect, then call the local health office.

SOURCES

<https://www.columbiacounty.gov>

<https://agriculture.ny.gov/food-safety/home-processing>

<https://agriculture.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2019/12/HomeProcessor.pdf>

Columbia County and nearby places

Regulation	Columbia County	Greene County	Rensselaer County
HOME KITCHEN ALLOWED	Yes	—	Conditional
SEPARATE DEDICATED KITCHEN	No	—	No
PETS ALLOWED	No specific pet restriction stated in NY Home Processor rules; standard food safety hygiene applies.	—	No specific NY state restriction on pets; good manufacturing practices apply.
INSPECTION REQUIRED	No	—	No
ON-SITE CUSTOMER PICKUP	Conditional	—	Yes
ON-SITE SIGNAGE	Conditional	—	Conditional
DELIVERY / PICKUP	Sales permitted at farms, farm stands, farmers markets, green markets, craft fairs, flea markets, home delivery, and online within NY State...	—	Sales at farms, farm stands, farmers markets, green markets, craft fairs, flea markets, via home delivery, and online (within NY State only...
HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT	Varies	—	Varies
LOCAL BUSINESS LICENSE	Varies	—	Varies
RESTRICTIONS	NY Home Processor Exemption requires free registration with NY Ag & Markets. All products must be baked (pathogen kill step required). Shel...	—	New York Home Processor Exemption requires registration with NYSDAM. Products must be shelf-stable baked goods (all must be baked — a patho...
FOOD STORAGE	Products must be shelf-stable, non-refrigerated, pre-packaged in the home.	—	Shelf-stable pre-packaged products only; no refrigerated or TCS products.
POPULATION	61,469	48,067	160,943

More pages for this place

These Crosodo pages cover the same home cottage-food path:

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